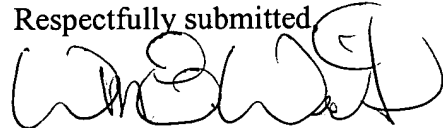


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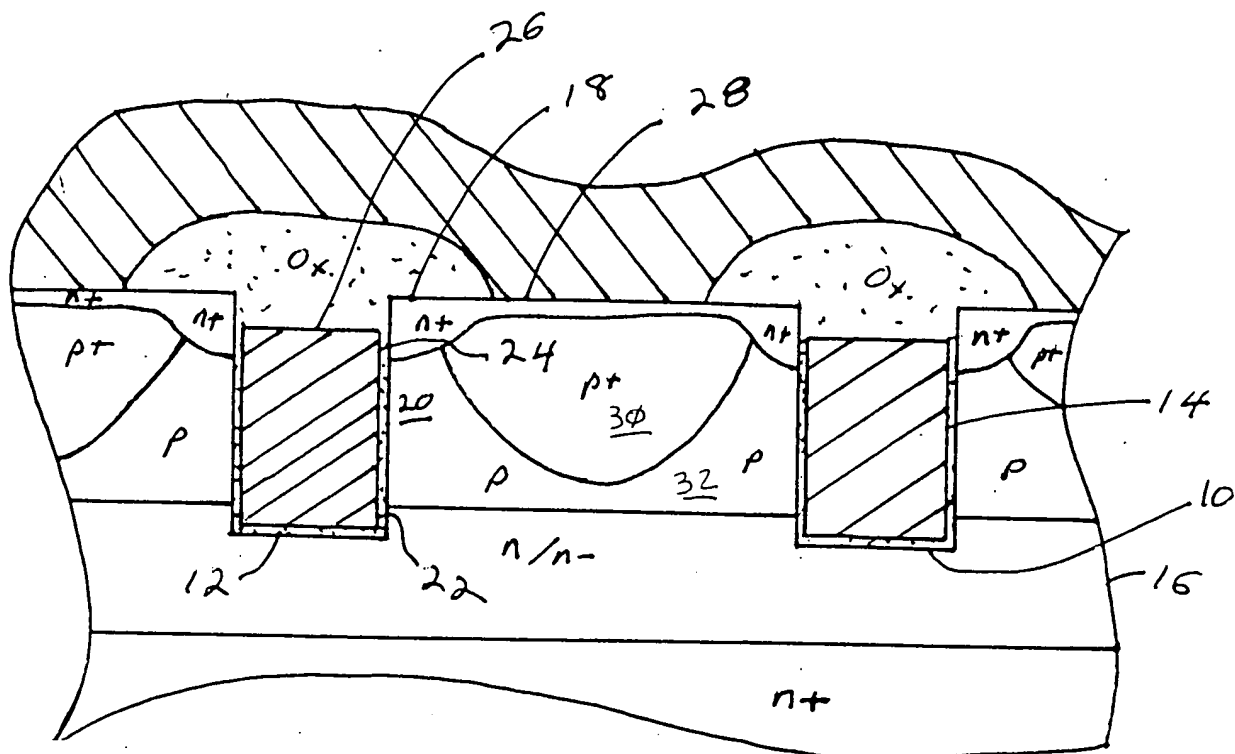


FIG. 1. PRIOR ART

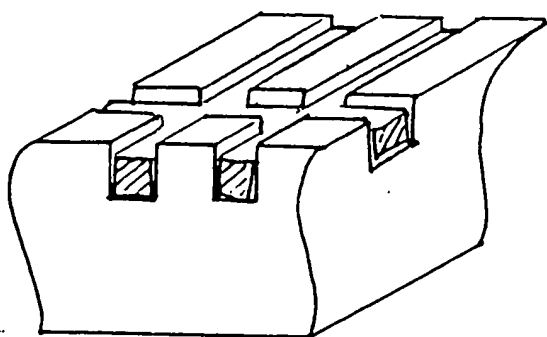


FIG. 2. Prolong ART

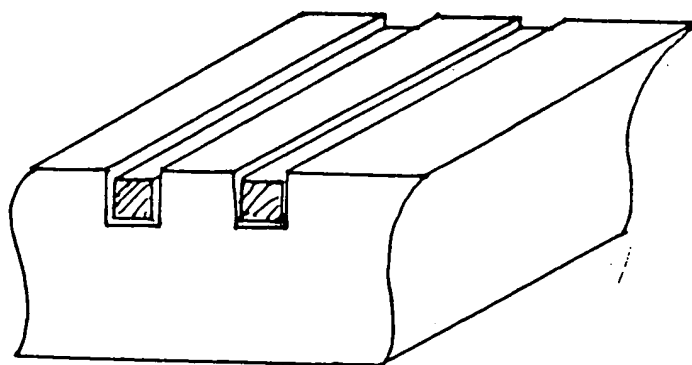


FIG. 3 PRIOR ART

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